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RE: [External] RE: Public Hearing Docket No. 2020-43-E -- Tuesday, April 14, 2020

It is Commission policy for communications with non-clerk staff to be posted in the DMS and copied to all parties even if the matter is allowed or exempt by the *ex parte* communications statute.

I agree the communication was completely procedural and administrative which is allowed and exempt under the Code and that there was no improper *ex parte* communication.

Thank you again.

Jo Anne Wessinger Hill

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Ms. Wessinger-Hill,

Thank you for your email. Because it was administrative/procedural in nature, I did not reply/copy all on my communication in response to your request to send name and telephone number and email address immediately so I could be emailed the virtual hearing information. Absolutely no impermissible ex parte communication was intended and I appreciate you forwarding my email to all so as to avoid the appearance of such.

Thanks,

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Dear Ms. Martinez:

With copy electronically to all parties or persons of record in this matter, I am forwarding your email to Commission Staff Randy Erskine so that he can send you the correct instructions for WebEx and the like related to the hearing in this matter. We will need Jackie Dickman's telephone number and email to also send her the instructions.

Please remember to copy all parties and interested persons in this Docket to any email or other communication with Commission staff regarding this matter so as to prevent any potential claim of an improper ex parte communication.

While you email below appears to be allowable and exempt under SC Code Sections 58-3-260(C)(1), (2), (3), (5(a) & (5)(b), a copy of the commission and this one is being provided to all parties and filed in the Commission's DMS for this Docket in accordance with Commission policy and practice.

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With kind regards, I am

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Parties and Interested Persons of Record, via electronic service cc:

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Good afternoon, JoAnne.

Jackie Dickman will be attending on behalf of DHEC. She has (or will be) emailing you separately for instructions. I am going to try to watch as well. If you would, please send me instructions. I do not plan to participate, only to observe.

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Thanks,

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## Dear Interest Parties and Counsel of Record:

This is email is a reminder about the hearing and process which will be followed. If you have not already received an email from Randy Erskine with instructions for WebEx, please call Randy Erskine of the Commission Staff at 803-896-5100 to make sure than you are able to connect with the Commission virtually. Randy Erskine's email instructs you to join Meeting at 9:15 a.m.

If you have not provided your telephone number and email address, the Commission is ready and able to accommodate the participation of any party or interested person. In order words, anyone who still wants to participate in the virtual hearing in accordance with their respective statutory right, you still can. Please send your name, telephone number that you will be using tomorrow and your email address immediately as you will need to be emailed the virtual hearing information and get any technical matter (in any) resolved if you want to participate.

For example, there has been an inquiry from the SC Department of Parks, Recreation & Tourism of whether PRT should participate. PRT, Mr. Parrish, and/or Mr. McCormack can participate in the matter virtually as it is his or his department's decision. Statutory parties are listed under SC Code Section 58-33-140.

Per Commission Directive Order 2020-299 in this Docket, the Commission will conduct a virtual hearing on that date and time with the following procedure:

- 1. The Chairman opens the hearing.
- 2. The Commission attorney reads the Docket.
- 3. The Chairman will take appearances from the parties, and attorneys for the parties may appear virtually.
- 4. The parties will make any short opening statements regarding their case that they feel are appropriate. If you do not have an opening statement, please advise that you do want to make one or other appropriate response.
- 5. The Chairman will hear from the Company's customers or the public, if any of them are present and wish to be heard.
- 6. The parties and Commissioners may ask questions of any testifying Company customer or members of the public, if appropriate.
- 7. Each party will move the pre-filed verified testimony of each of his/her witness into the record as if given orally from the stand, and may ask that any exhibits from each witness be entered into the record as hearing exhibits.

- (a) The pre-filed testimony is available for any party to review or view in the DMS for this Docket.
- (b) It will not be necessary for the parties to have their witnesses present either inperson or virtually during this process -- if the party has properly verified testimony (i.e., verification sworn in person before a notary public).
  - (c) This includes any pre-filed exhibits from the witness's testimony presented and such exhibits may be made into a composite exhibit. Composite exhibits are done when there is more than one exhibit being used or offer by an witness. The party would move that Exhibits \*\* thru \*\* offered by the testimony of witness \*\*\*\*\* be made into one composite exhibit. Next, the party would move that the composite exhibit \_\_\_\_ (or exhibit \_\_\_\_) be received and admitted into evidence. You don't need a composite exhibit if there is only one exhibit being offered/authenticated by a witness.
- (d) If there is an exhibit that you forget to admit for a witness or if there is any need for a late filed exhibit, please address that when presenting your case or before closing statements.
- 8. The parties may make any short closing statements, if appropriate.
- 9. The Chairman will assign a due date for proposed orders in the Docket; and
- 10. The Chairman shall adjourn the proceeding. Any matters need to be addressed prior to the proceeding being adjourned.

The parties are strongly recommended to contact Randy Erskine of the Commission Staff at 803-896-5100 to make sure that they are able to connect with the Commission virtually. Please have any exhibits ready to be numbered, i.e., [(Name of party) Exhibit No. \_\_\_\_\_;] etc. when you connect in the morning at 9:15 a.m. If you have not received instructions for participating, please call Randy Erskine immediately.

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